

Elijah evaluated this expression as shown.

$$\begin{aligned} 3 - (-5) + 8(-4) &= 3 - (-5) + (-32) \\ &= 3 - (-37) \\ &= 40 \end{aligned}$$

**Is Elijah correct?**

**If yes, list the steps.**

**If no, what error did he make and what is the correct answer?**

Elijah's solution is not correct. The correct solution is:

$$3 - (-5) + 8(-4)$$

$$= 3 - (-5) + (-32)$$

$$= 8 + (-32) \quad \text{Elijah did the addition before the subtraction}$$

$$= -24$$